RELIEF LISTS IN VA. SHOW DECLINE

There were 178 fewer cases on general relief in Virginia during October than in the month of September, according to Col. Richard W. Copeland, director of the Department of Welfare and Institutions. He said this reflects the general downward trend in most categories of public assistance, and continues the failure off in Virginia which began in the spring of this year.

Figures from the Federal Security Agency, he said, show that this decline has been general in most states during the past year.

Col. Copeland pointed out that the decline in Virginia's rolls has been a continuing process, and that there are three explanations for the failure off. Economic conditions provide better times for some cases. Rehabilitation of those already on the rolls has made it possible for some of them to become self-supporting, and closer scrutiny of applicants and those already on the rolls has helped pare the lists.

Expenditures for general relief decreased from $70,590.71 in September to $65,347.43 in October. 2,462 cases received assistance in October, compared with 2,640 in September, and 3,457 in October a year ago. This is a decline of 1,155 cases since October, 1950. Applicants for general relief have dropped, also. 524 cases applied in October, compared with 657 in the same month last year.

Aid to dependent children rolls dropped from 22,558 children in September to 22,242 in October, a decline from 23,310 in October of 1950. The ADC program cost $406,780.80 during October, a drop from $410,146.88 for the preceding month.

Aid to the permanently and totally disabled and foster care increased during the month. There were 2,488 cases in the first group, an increase from 2,307 in September. Foster care cases increased from 2,708 to 2,777. Cost of foster care rose from $85,226.25 to $88,388.23.

Joe Louis still listed among contenders in the heavyweight group.

Forty-one perish as fire breaks out at Christmas party in Mexico.

Uncle Sam Says

We're getting into the frosty season, when the birds migrate, the furry animals hibernate and all nature is preparing for a wintry siege. Which reminds us, why shouldn't we, too, prepare for the future? The long-range future, the wintry years of our lives. How better to do this than by investing part of our earnings in U. S. Defense Bonds? Everyone should buy bonds, either under the Payroll Savings Plan where he works, or the Bond-A-Month Plan where he banks.

U. S. Treasury Department

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Mutual Defense Gives Skills, Arms to Allies

KANSAS CITY — Training and weapons for the soldiers of 18 other free nations are being provided by the United States Army at installations here and abroad.

The military "know-how" and "wherewithal" furnished the land forces of these friendly foreign nations represents the Army's contribution to the Mutual Defense Assistance Program.

Nearly 2,000 foreign nationals were received for training by the Army during the first 21 months of MDAP.

In the same period, the Army supplied the bulk of more than 1,000,000 (M) tons of military equipment which was shipped to MDAP-member nations.

Training Important

While delivery of 4,400 tanks and other combat vehicles, 2,900 pieces of artillery, and more than 18,000 general purpose vehicles is an important phase of the Army's MDAP role, the training of key officers and enlisted personnel to properly care for and maintain the equipment at its destination has even more far-reaching importance.

The foreign trainees, as instructors upon return to their own countries, will make possible full utilization of all military weapons—those supplied by the United States as well as those furnished by each nation to itself in the MDAP military production plan.

In effect, the trainees form the nucleus of a 20th century crusade for democracy.

To aid in the achievement of that end, the Army has placed the foreign soldiers into its regular training system in sugh a manner that they receive instruction in the latest technical knowledge of arms and equipment along with a liberal insight into the American way of living.

Work Together

Courses were made available at more than 20 Army schools in this country and Western Germany in order that foreign nationals would receive their instruction alongside American soldiers. Uniforms are the only difference as they live and learn together.

Varying in length from two weeks to 11 months, the courses include such technical and administrative training as are required for ordnance, engineer, signal, medical, quartermaster, transportation, finance, adjutant general, and chaplain's corps work.

There is similar instruction in the service schools, such as artillery, infantry, armor and provost marshal courses, and instruction also is offered at the Command and General Staff School at Leavenworth, Kans.

The training is given in the class room, workshop or field. It is provided on a strict instructor-pupil basis, with no regard to rank or nationality, uniform or speech differences.

During off-duty hours, foreign nationals are encouraged to participate in sports and other forms of recreation and relaxation on an equal basis with the Army students in the schools.

Preparedness Units scores army waste, but lauds the efforts of Secretary Pace.

Many acts of kindness and goodwill market the holiday season.

American public puts up money to ransom American flyers downed in Hungary.

Kaesong Has Been Important Korean Commercial City

Commercially, Kaesong ex-truce talks site in Korea has been important for the weaving of coarse cotton cloth, as well as for the making of crude pottery and earthenware. The city, which is just south of the 38th parallel, about 50 road miles northwest of Seoul, is also in normal times a popular market place for produce of near-by fertile valleys.

One of Kaesong's principal offerings has been the medicinal herb ginseng, prized in the Orient for magical strengthening and curative powers. Carefully cultivated, this crop has had a value estimated at times close to $1,000,000 a year.

In 1930, Kaesong's population was registered at 49,350, and in 1940, at 72,062. While this represented an increase of about 45 per cent, it is far less than that counted for other Korean cities, such as Seoul, 137 per cent rise, and Chonglin, 450 per cent.

Kaesong is situated about a third of the way along the railroad that runs between Seoul and the North Korean capital of Pyongyang. It is surrounded by granite hills which supplied much of the stone for necessary railway tunnels. Villages dot the neighboring valleys, secluded in season with colorful wild iris.

'Tree Of Water'

The Aztec word "ahuehuete" (pronounced "ah-we-we-te" and meaning "tree of water") is the Mexican name for the cypress species of which El Tule is far-and-away the mightiest individual. Twelve feet above the ground, the Tule cypress bears a wooden plaque, largely overgrown. Spanish words carved on it still are partially decipherable. The board reportedly was placed in the trunk in 1893 by the famous German geographer and traveler, Alexander von Humboldt. An earlier Spanish explorer, Juan Bautista de Anza, suggested that the Tule cypress was not a single tree but a fusion of three separate trunks. Some botanists feel this must be so, since the tree is a freak, with no other competitor in size among survivors of its kind.

Civilian Uses

The farm implement known as the flame cultivator, which traces its development to the Army Chemical Corps' World War II flame thrower, originally was designed to weed cotton but was adapted for other types of row-planted vegetation. Other civilian uses of the flame thrower are clearing weeds from highway shoulders and railway beds as well as destroying alligator grass and water hyacinths which impede river navigation.

Distant Star

No one can say which is the most distant star. With the new 200-inch Hale telescope at Mt. Palomar Observatory in California it is possible to see great clusters of stars, called "galaxies," that are so distant that their light takes about a billion years to reach us, so they are said to be a billion light years away. This distance would be about six sextillion (six followed by 21 zeros) miles. No doubt there are other galaxies at still greater distances, which will become visible when more powerful telescopes are built. Of the brightest (first magnitude) stars, the most distant is Deneb, in Cygnus the swan, about 650 light years away. A faint star just visible to the naked eye on a dark night might be at a distance as great as several thousand light years.

Plan for a "trial run" of the European Army.

Telephone companies report a big business this year in Christmas telephone calls.

Red-Held Isles Strongly Linked With Japanese

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Bonomai Islands and Shikotan, mentioned as possible areas of contention in eventual treaty negotiations between Russia and Japan, consist of half a dozen islands and numerous islets, rocks, and shoals lying in a fairly chain off northeastern mainland Japan.

Soviet forces have occupied these land spots since shortly after VJ day (1945) according to reports. In gathering them, Russia is expected to hold that they are part of the Tishima-lone Kuril (Chishima) Islands chain granted to Russia at the Yalta conference in 1945.

Japan cites evidence as well as history to show that the Habomai and Shikotan are a short extension of the Nemuro Peninsula, not a part of the Kurils. The Nemuro Peninsula is the eastern land tip of Hokkaido, northern of Japan's main islands.

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Blood Supplies in Korea Are Shrinking, Says General

KANSAS CITY—Life-saving blood stocks — vital for treatment of wounded soldiers—have been seriously depleted by 14 months of fighting in Korea, according to Major General George E. Armstrong, the Army Surgeon General.

General Armstrong, returned from the combat zone and disclosed that more than 100,000 pints of whole blood and the equivalent of 500,000 pints of blood plasma had been used by the Army since the conflict began.

"The use of this great amount of whole blood and blood plasma in Korea has seriously depleted our stocks," he said. "It has placed a serious burden on existing supplies."

General Armstrong called on Americans everywhere to continue to donate blood in order that stocks could be built up to a reasonably safe level.

"The continued donation of blood is highly essential, not only to meet the present needs of our Armed Forces but to provide adequate blood plasma for stockpiling in the event of further large-scale fighting in Korea or a civilian disaster of major importance," he said.

Dutch Patrol Discovers Odd Village of Primitive Natives

DARWIN—A Dutch patrol deep into the New Guinea jungles has found a completely unrecorded village inhabited by primitive tribesmen, who had never before seen a white man.

The discovery was reported by the chief justice of New Zealand, Sir Bernard Damen. The Dutch official said that the village had been walled-in against hostile tribesmen and the patrol had to climb singly through a small hole in the wall to get inside. The natives advanced with drawn spears, he said, but were won over to friendship by the members of the patrol.

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Richwood

Richwood, Dec. 26.—Merry Christmas to crop, you should have seen us again." —Quoted

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Dodd and children, of Brookneal spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dodd.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Dodd spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Dodd at Rocky Knoll, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ford and children, of Lynchburg are visiting Mr. and Mrs. James Moore visited for several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Moore.

Mrs. E. R. Davis, of Lynchburg visited with Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Dodd Tuesday afternoon.

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Ancient Herb Giving Relief to Asthmatics

NEW ORLEANS—An herb known since ancient Egypt, used for many years in folk medicine in parts of the South, is giving relief to sufferers from the torturous attacks of bronchial asthma.

The latest report on its use comes from Tulane university, where "good or excellent" results were obtained in 60 per cent of the cases tested.

The drug used in the experiments is khellin, sometimes called visamin.

The Tulane researchers used a form trademarked "Exkel." (Produced by Smith, Kline and French Laboratories, Philadelphia.)

Relaxing Effect

Khellin has a relaxing effect upon the smooth muscle fibers. In acute attacks of bronchial asthma, spasms of these fibers constrict the bronchial or tiny windpipes leading to the lungs, causing partial suffocation. Studies have indicated that khellin counteracts this constriction.

During the past year khellin has been found useful in treatment of angina pectoris, painful heart conditions characterized by sensations of suffocating contraction in the chest. Two years ago it was recommended for relief of stomach cramps.

Khellin is derived from the dry seeds of a plant known in Arabic countries as khella and in English as bishop's weed, toothpick weed or toothpick plant's weed.

Carrot Family

The scientific name of the plant is Ammi visnaga. It is a member of the carrot family (Ammiaceae) and is a native of the Mediterranean area. In recent years it has been grown in the Santa Clara valley and Long Beach area of California, presumably imported by Italians who brought it from their old country.

Tulane physicians taking part in the experiments included Drs. Vincent J. Derbes, Roy J. White, John Yarbrough, David Vaughan and Lyle K. Weaver. The first three are in the department of medicine of Tulane University School of Medicine. Dr. Weaver is a trainee of the National Heart Institute, working at Tulane. In their first series of tests the physicians reported "good to excellent" results among 14 out of 25 patients given khellin by mouth, and 19 out of 20 receiving the dose by injection.

Prolonged relief, of at least several hours duration, was shown in cases considered benefitted," the physicians said.

From the results obtained in this series and from other patients now under observation, it is felt that khellin will have a useful place in the treatment of bronchial asthma."

In addition to the "prolonged duration of action," the Tulane report says an advantage of khellin is that it has little effect upon blood pressure and therefore "should be partic[ularly] useful in asthmatics with concomitant hypertension."

The patients had been suffering attacks lasting from a few hours to three or four days. Most of them had taken other drugs which failed to give relief.

Collapsible Rubber Drums Made for Shipping Liquids

NEW YORK—A new collapsible container fabric drum suitable for shipping liquids has been developed by the U. S. Rubber Co. The new drum is expected to effect considerable savings in return shipping costs since more than 2500 collapsed drums can be shipped in a standard railroad box car that would hold only 300 ordinary rigid containers.

Limited quantities already are being produced for essential uses in the petroleum and liquid chemical fields.

The drum is made of a strong, closely woven cotton cord fabric, impregnated with synthetic rubber and molded in one piece. The result is a flexible drum about the size of a conventional barrel or drum. It weighs [illegible] yet effectively resists [illegible] emptying [illegible] and handling.

Experimental tests [illegible] that the new drum will be suitable for shipment of oils, greases, fats, paints, emulsions, soaps, dry colors, and a variety of pharmaceutical and industrial chemicals. It also believed to be practical for transporting liquids by air for military use and for dropping by parachute to ground troops.

Fighter Pilots See Action in the Afternoons

WITH THE FIRST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING IN JAPAN—For the Second First Marine Aircraft Wing night fighter-bomber pilots in Japan there is little recreation. They sleep most of the day, and fly the black skies all night preying on communist truck convoys and troop concentrations.

Their late start brought about an adjustment in the daytime military routine of this command. Matinee performances of current movies are held in the afternoons for the benefit of these pilots and their ground crews who spend the nights at work.

Historians Include A-Bomb Among 'Most Decisive Events'

HARRISBURG, Pa.—The atomic bomb is one of the "Ten Most Decisive Events of History," according to an informal poll of historians by Professor Louis L. Snyder of the College of the City of New York and Professor Richard B. Morris of Columbia University. While at least half of these events are of military nature, historians also include the discovery of anaesthesia, making possible surgery's progress, in the list which was compiled in connection with the new book "Then Saw It Happen: Eyewitness Reports of Great Events" edited by Professors Snyder and Morris.

The "Ten Most Decisive Events" in chronological order—not in order of importance—are:

The Destruction of Carthage, 146 B.C.; Battle of Adrianople, 378 A.D.; Invention of Printing From Movable Type, c.1450; Discovery of America, 1492; Advent of the Steam Engine, 1769; Declaration of Independence, 1780; Discovery of Anaesthesia, 1846; Assassination at Serajevo, 1914; D-Day: Invasion of Fortress Europe, 1944; The Atomic Bomb, August 6, 1945.

Most of the historians felt that the greatest event in the history of the human race was the discovery of fire, which took place ages before the historic period of written records.

False Teeth Provide Urgent Cold Weather Problems

WITH THE FIRST MARINE DIVISION IN KOREA—Marines of an infantry company here say a very cold-weather problem still remains to be solved—and they doubt it can be done.

It seems their first sergeant, before "hitting the sack" one bitterly-cold night when the Chinese Reds were sitting back licking their wounds, put his false teeth in a canteen cup of water.

Next morning the whole mixture —cup, water, teeth—was a solid mass of ice.

"Even a first sergeant can't solve that one" admit the grinning Leathernecks, "although an ice pick might help."

Governor Dewey indicates no state tax cut in N. Y.

Senator Duff, of Penn., says he has belief in tremendous grass-roots demand for Eisenhower as candidate in 1952.

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NEW BULLETINS

Three new and-or revised publications are off the press at the Agricultural Extension Service at VPI.

They are:

Circular 534, "Bedroom Furniture." Some helpful hints for remodeling and arranging bedroom furniture are contained in this circular by Miss Ruth Jamison, VPI home furnishings specialist.

Leaflet No. 312 (USDA), "Apples in Appealing Ways." This leaflet is designed to supplement the better-known apple recipes given in cook books. You will find in this leaflet some new apple adventures, and some variations on favorite ways of using the fruit.

Extension Bulletin 191, "Prosper with Sheep," has been revised to include some additional information. Although 5,000 copies of this bulletin were printed originally, the supply was exhausted within seven months.

"MR. APPLE" AMONG SPEAKERS AT HORTI-CULTURAL MEETING

Samuel Fraser, widely known as "Mr. Apple" in his position as secretary of the International Apple Association, Rochester, N. Y., will be one of the keynote speakers at the 59th annual convention of the Virginia State Horticultural Society in Roanoke, January 7, 8 and 9.

His address on "Economic Trends in the Fruit Business" is scheduled for the banquet session, on Tuesday night, January 8.

The secretary of the state society, John F. Watson, of Staunton, said growers and others attending the meeting also will have an opportunity to study the problem of merchandising Virginia's apples. Dr. Max Brunk, professor of marketing at Cornell University, will discuss merchandising, and C. B. Houck, Houck & Company, Roanoke, will discuss advertising, on Monday morning.

Monday afternoon's program will feature lectures by Dr. H. B. Tukey, head, department of horticulture, Michigan State College; Dr. Frank Horsfall, horticulturist, Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station; and W. W. Hunt, National Fruit Company, Winchester.

Monday night a joint session with the Woman's Auxiliary will be held, with Dr. Walter Flick, Washington and Lee University, as the guest speaker.

DONATION FOR RESEARCH RECEIVED BY STATION

Governor Battle's statewide pasture program was recently given great impetus through an additional contribution of $125,000 to be used for research with grasses and forage crops, VPI Chancellor John R. Hutcheson has announced.

The contribution was made to the VPI Educational Foundation by the Old Dominion Foundation, of which Paul Mellon, of Upperville, is president.

Some of the additional facilities which this gift makes possible at the Middleburg field unit of Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station are: a barn and two silos for nutrition research; a calf and maternity barn; a grain storage and processing building; additional laboratory equipment; and funds for publishing the results of research carried on at Middleburg.

The additional facilities provided for at the central station at VPI are: an X-ray spectrometer, a spectrographic densitometer, and centrifuges.

These additional facilities and equipment will enable the Experiment Station to greatly strengthen its work with pastures and forage crops, Dr. Hutcheson pointed out. He also said that such research will prove of permanent value to all livestock producers in the eastern half of the United States.

1951 GLOOMY YEAR FOR APPLE GROWERS

Virginia's apple growers suffered heavy losses in 1951—for numerous reasons.

A. H. Teske, horticulturist at VPI, said heavy storage holdings (12,580,000 bushels) from the 1950 apple crop cut profits from the 1951 crop in Virginia. Dry weather during the midseason and late summer growing period caused a sharp reduction in yield. The lack of demand for smaller apples, the cut in processor needs, and the extremely low prices for processing apples added to the growers' difficulties.

While the nation's 1951 apple crop is short by several millions of bushels of the 1950 production, prices to growers have remained low except for Red Delicious, which are in short supply.

Peach growers fared better. The crop was of "splendid quality," Teske says. The fruit developed to a good size, free of insect and disease blemishes. The demand was strong, and prices were satisfactory.

Overall, a shorter supply of orchard help, higher costs for labor, and materials, and the realized need for fruit of better size and quality presented serious problems for the industry. However, with the greater use of newly developed equipment and methods in pruning and spraying, it was possible not only to do a better job of producing fruit of good size, better color, and higher quality, but to make material savings in production costs, Teske says.

GETS SCHOLARSHIP

Herbert George Windmueller, V. P. I. student from Glen Allen, has been awarded a $500 scholarship, given annually by a New York foundation to the agricultural student who has the highest quality average through the junior year, and who has taken at least two dairy subjects.

March of Dimes drive to be made in late January.

Truman asks that steel production go on as pay board studies the matter of wages.

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Fighting starts up anew in west Korea.

Five killed on Virginia roads as pre-holiday toll.

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